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Xiangsheng - 5th October, 1920.

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No. 1, 165.

A REGULAR CONVOCATION of the above Chapter, will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, on MONDAY the 26th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely.
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MARRIAGES.

On the 8th of October, at Shanghai, by H.B.M.'s Consul, NIS MOLLER, of Chenghai, to HARRIET ELIZABETH, eldest daughter of W. R. Fuller, of Chelsea, No. Cards.

On the 10th October, at Holy Trinity Cathedral, Shanghai, by the Rev. H. C. Hodges, M.A., ROBERT HENRY BRADSHAW, son of the late J. S. Bradshaw, of Hume Cottage, Tynford, Berkshire, to ELIZABETH HAZELINE AUSTIN, youngest daughter of William Hazeldine Austin, late of Lyde Hall, Lancashire, North Wales.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1891.

THE speech of the Colonial Treasurer in the Council meeting during the discussion on the new Opium Ordinance (which was not so good that it would have been worth while to delay the paper beyond our fixed time of publishing and come out next day, like some people do) was to the effect that the Bill must be rushed through with all haste, as the tenders for next year's farm would soon be sent in, and if the Legislature would pass the Bill early, the competition for the monopoly would be keener, whereas if the Bill were passed decently and in order the good effect of protecting the farm would be just as well done but too late to effect a boom in prices. That is all he was understood to say. And now who shall blame the company promoter for causing artificial booms? Who shall condemn sensational reports on prospects of making money? Who shall rebuke them, or say "Be content with legitimate trade and let it develop naturally"? There is a good example. Mr. I. Foxcor was in such a hurry to inflate prices in the monopoly market that he broke the rules of the House and had to be called to order for speaking at the wrong time. But he succeeded, and Mr. WHITEHEAD is once more put in the basket. The bill is to be scrambled, after all, so that prices may be forced up. The Hongkong Government cannot stand quietly and see the Straits develop a bigger business in opium farms. Very well then. Mr. MITCHELL-LEWIS, do you know what happened in Singapore—or was it Penang? The boom was created, as you now want to create one here; competition ran recklessly high, the biggest fool got the shares—beg pardon, the farm—and went bung! He went bankrupt, Mr. Treasurer, and let in the "prospects splendid" Government for a tremendous figure, and utterly spoiled a beautiful Budget, and entirely ruined a magnificent surplus, and cost them no end of lakhs in law expenses and prosecutions—and got off clear and came up smiling again. This is one instance only, of what occurred in really so many Straits places that we have lost count. Take fair warning, ye powers of heaven and earth (mostly earth)—if you sell your commodities, your opium farms, your ricksha farms, your public works loan that is to be some day, at much above their proper value, you certainly do a smart thing for the time; but the collapse is quick, and as deadly as the cholera.

TELEGRAMS.

CESAREWICH STAKES.

LONDON, October 15th.

Ragimunde 1

Penelope 2

Lily of Lumley 3

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A FRIEND in need is a man to be avoided.

OUR weekly share report is unavoidably held over until Monday.

"LA PERICHOLE" at the Theatre Royal to-night. Prospects of a big house, good.

WHEN Herschel studied astronomy, only four double stars were known. Now nearly 7,000 of them are distinguishable.

A REGULAR Convocation of St. Andrew's Chapter, No. 218, S.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zealand Street, on Wednesday, the 21st inst., at 8 for 8.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting companions are cordially invited.

JOHANN Kruse (son of the great Melbourne bug-powder man), a native of Victoria, and the favourite pupil of Joachim, was married in Berlin on July 6th to the Countess Urub, whose father holds a high appointment in the Imperial service. It was unfortunate for Prince Kruse that he was not in London during the visit of the German Emperor; but the date of his marriage was fixed long before that of the Imperial visit.

We have to apologise. On Thursday and Friday we were not so punctual as usual in publishing, and now receive two complaints. One subscriber says he hardly ever receives his Telegraph before 5.40, and sometimes as late as 5.45. We are extremely obliged to our friends for these timely warnings, and only regret that we gave reason for them. Fact is, gentlemen, Thursday's Council meeting and Friday's Sanitary Board held us back. These things do happen, somehow, and we cannot help it. When Jaw takes a rest we shall have a chance, and will do our utmost; when it is rampant we must suffer with our readers. But we are very sorry, just the same.

SAYS a recent issue of the *Torres Straits Pilot*—Shortly after the China Navigation Company's steamer *Taiyuan* arrived in port on Sunday morning, the yellow flag was hoisted. There were seven Japanese passengers for this port. One of these had the day after leaving Hongkong developed an eruption and high fever. These had been mastered, and the man was now almost recovered. He and his countrymen were removed to the Friday Island quarantine station, from whence they will be removed at an early date unless another case is developed. Dr. Salter is of opinion, from the description given of the disease, that the sufferer had been attacked by measles. As no other sickness existed, the *Taiyuan* was allowed to land her small cargo and mails, which were fumigated. The steamer then proceeded south under the yellow flag, which will probably be withdrawn upon arrival at the next port unless some fresh cases have shown itself.

HERBERT SPENCER—"In my early days I constantly made the foolish supposition that a conclusive proof would change beliefs." And yet he never lived in Hongkong!

THE *Shanghai Mercury* states that Col. Lee, who was until recently one of the military instructors in Korea, has died suddenly at the Hoffman House, N. Y., of apoplexy.

Mr. Berlin Beet—Mein Gott, mein taller has refused me any more credit.
Mr. H. K. Kidd—Why don't you get another one?
Mr. B. B.—Dostu der trouble; I owe all der rest of dem der same!

ST. PETER'S SEAMEN'S CHURCH.—The Mission steam-boat *Spring* will call alongside vessels holding code pennant C, between 9 and 10.30 a.m. on Sunday to convey men ashore to the 11 o'clock service, returning about 12.30.

DR. CANTILE proposes, in connection with the system of registering births, marriages and deaths, to extend the work by registering diseases and causes of death. It is a very good idea, and would be exceedingly useful and instructive. Why not carry it still further? Why not register causes of marriages, and even —?

THE following telegram has been received by the Spanish Consul from Manila and kindly forwarded for publication:—16th, 10 a.m., bar. 29.90, wind E.N.E. 7, temp. 87, hum. 77, cloudy; 4 p.m. bar. 29.84, wind N.N.E. 3, temp. 95, hum. 74, cloudy.—East of Luzon, below (sic) 15°, a small typhoon centre.

It is reported from the North that the Peiho is in a very bad way just now, and some of the steamers find it difficult to get up and down. The *Hasting* has been at Tientsin Bend for some days and cannot get away owing to the lowness of the water. Other vessels manage to crawl up to the Vegetable Bend, but cannot get further up.

SAMOA news in the latest Australian papers shows great dissatisfaction all over the country. Matafua is still claiming authority, and King Malietoa seems entirely unable to assert his power. There is a very warm feeling even in the loyal circles against unwarrantable actions of the King's advisers, especially Baron Pilach. The general impression is that war must break out before the end of the year.

A CONCERT was given at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Institute last evening; the chair was taken by the Rev. G. H. Bondfield. There were about 100 men present; Miss Tennant and Mr. Rushway ably presiding at the piano. At the conclusion of the concert, the Chairman announced that at next meeting on the 23rd inst. Dr. Cantile would lecture to them on "Facts and Fictions" which he knew they would all thoroughly enjoy.

THE *Soochow* correspondent of the *N. C. Daily News*, writing under date 9th inst. says:—Two parties of missionaries have recently gone to Hangchow and returned to Soochow. They were in native boats. One party came back by Kiahing, a prefectural city. They stopped half an hour, went inside of the walls, along the most crowded streets of the place. The other party came by the shorter road, west of Kiahing. They passed several large towns. Their boatmen of their own accord travelled by night as well as by day, but not all night. Both parties report that the country is perfectly quiet. It is an excellent season, and the farmers are rejoicing over the prospect of a fine crop.

A HOME paper compiles a list of first-class cricket from 1866 to 1890, a period of twenty-five years. As might be expected, W. G. Grace stands at the head of the batting list, with 846 completed innings, 36,221 runs, an average of 42 runs per innings. G. Ulyett has 713 innings, 17,093 runs, average 23 per innings. The greatest number of runs after these are—A. N. Hornby, 13,677; W. W. Read, 14,594; Jupp, 13,590; Shrewsbury, 12,007; Barnes, 11,919; Lockwood, 11,644; and bowler, W. G. Grace also comes first as regards number, having captured no fewer than 2268 wickets at an average of 16 runs per wicket. Southerton took 1611 wickets at 14 per wicket; Alfred Shaw, 1932 wickets at 11 per wicket; Emmett, 1248 wickets at 13 per wicket.

THE Band of the A. & S. Highlanders will play the following programme at the Barrack Square, this evening, commencing at 7.30 o'clock:—

March—"The Merry Men of the Coast."
Valse—"The Twilight."
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Polka—"The Merry Men of the Coast."
Gigue—"The Merry Men of the Coast."
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Public Gardens on Monday, commencing at 8.30 p.m.:—

Opera—"The Merry Men of the Coast."
Valse—"The Merry Men of the Coast."
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THE International cricket match England v. Scotland at Shanghai was decided on the first innings, England winning by 24 runs. The wicket was slow, and Orman's 26 was the top score. Scotland went in first, and the fielding was very good. In the first four overs, three wickets fell for 11 runs. Dow and Anderson made a stand, but at 35 both had gone, the latter having made 19. The whole innings was only worth 55. For England St. Croix was disappointing, and died young—very. Orman played steadily; Stow got only one hit, which made 5. Wickham and Mann were a good pair, and won the game. After they fell the score was carried up to 79. The Scots went in again and made 49 for four. This is the twentieth meeting of England and Scotland in the Shanghai cricket field—England winning 6, Scotland 5, and 7 draws.

In the year 1890, during a period of continued drought which laid waste the agricultural districts of the Brazilian Empire, the Mayor of Castanias issued the following decree, which appeared in all the South American papers at the time:—

"THE MAYOR OF THE TOWN AND DISTRICT OF CASTANIAS.

"Whereas this province and its inhabitants have not been considerably dealt with by the Elements, seeing that there was only one shower of rain during the whole of last year, and this winter, notwithstanding the procession, public services, and ceremonies, it has not even rained once, and consequently the crop of chestnuts, on which the prosperity of the whole Department depends, has been entirely lost."

"Decrees:—

"Art. 1.—That if there is not an abundance of rain within a week from the date of this present decree no one shall go to mass or say his prayers."

"Art. 2.—If the drought continues a week longer the churches and chapels shall be burnt to the ground, and the masses, marriages, and other objects of devotion destroyed."

"Art. 3.—Lastly, it should not rain during the third week all the clergy, friars, monks, nuns, and sisters of charity shall be beheaded. And for the present permission is granted to everyone to indulge in any kind of excess he may see fit."

We are told that, fortunately for these unhappy people, rain began to fall in the first week. Providence, finding itself cornered for once, has been obliged to yield.

WHEN Lord Something Phipps, a decent enough fellow although the son of a Marquis, was getting his colonial experience on Bulloo Downs he expressed his belief that a droving-trip on the roads would just about finish his education. The manager, knowing that his lordship would never get through "on his own wits," put a withered-old-cust called "Terrible Billy," in charge, but gave Phipps the cheque-book. Billy was very proud of having a real, live lord under his wing, and never failed to let people know in a don't-you-forget-it sort of way. When they arrived at Balranald, Phipps, according to custom, invited Billy to liquor up, and Billy, to show what sort of company he travelled in, drew the barman mysteriously aside and whispered—"That's Lord Phipps." "Yes," quoth the barman; "and I suppose you are the Lord Almighty."

THE Acting Governor of Hongkong is a man whom we admire—(Yes, there are a few)—and his address to the Council on the opening of the Autumn Session is sensible, complete, concise, and very good. But one point only one, as far as we can see at present is bad. That is his explanation of the Kowloon gambling business and its perils to the colony. He says:—"My representations have been met by the Chinese authorities with a laudable desire to co-operate, and stringent measures have been taken to attain the desired object, but I regret to say that the main difficulty in totally suppressing the evil arises from the shelter and facilities afforded to the gamblers by the neighbourhood of Hongkong and the easy means of transport. The earnest attention of the Government is being directed to this phase of the matter."

General Barker has not much to do with the Chinese. The explanation he gives is roughly, that we have put gambling out of the colony, and when we try to crush it beyond our borders it comes back—takes refuge where it cannot live! *Reductio ad absurdum*. Evidently he has taken in the Chinese excuses, quibbles, and lies without a suspicion, even though preposterous beyond patience. The fact is that the "silver quincy" has infected every official from the Kowloon mandarin up to the Kwangtung viceroys, and hence the excuse. It is well-nigh hopeless to grapple with this degenerated and far-reaching system of bribery; if it could be done nothing would be easier than to shut up the houses where gambling is carried on, to arrest and hand over to the proper authorities all persons caught in the act of breaking the law. But the first step is to overcome the power of the almighty dollar; the man who can do that will be a prodigy. Now come on, General!

L'Avantur du Tonkin gives a very graphic account of an expedition from Hanoi carried six months stores to an outpost called Luc-nan-Chau, on a branch of the Red River. The supplies were carried in boats, escorted by a small army marching along the banks of the river. On the way was a place where the patriots—the French—all the patriots—were in force to resist the invaders. The commandant of the station sent a strong force to meet and warn the coming expedition. Things seem to be rather wet therabouts, for the escort from Hanoi had to march, for instance, at one place 200 metres with the water up to their shoulders; and again, the party from the other end tried four days in succession before they could find dry land enough to go on. Information was given that the enemy would attack the escort on the left bank of the river, at a house on the bend in the course, so that the escort, pushing on in advance to clear them out of the way, took a short cut across the peninsula at full speed, intent on murder. Meanwhile the foe was calmly waiting on the right bank, chuckling at the greatness of French military genius. Of course, the boats were coming on behind almost unprotected—only thirty men to 13 junks. "But," says the *Avantur*, "they reckoned without the bravery of this little band." Little, that is to say, leaving out all the coolies and boatmen and native followers of all sorts. Finally, the enemy, who were waiting for the boats and yelling to the poor devils who had to paddle, they got clear away with only three killed and four injured, "without counting the rowers who were hit," says the *Avantur* complacently. It should be noted that the attacking party had no boats at all. Meantime the escort that had been so nearly fooled was coming back, struggling through swamps and dense undergrowth, and arrived when all was over, the boats away round the corner out of sight, the pirates' ditty, and nobody to be seen but a solitary recent population of the mangrove swamps. The gallant band had captured all the natives that could be caught, multiplied by six, and reported a splendid victory. Our contemporary deduces a beautiful lesson from "l'effet moral produit par cet échec." Then it goes on to say that the pirates have put a price on the head of a French captain. Myes.

It is reported with every appearance of authority that the *Sungliang* is in trouble again through carrying contraband arms. It is only a fortnight or so since she was seized at Taku and a quantity of arms and ammunition found on board, entered as merchandise on the manifest; and a fine of \$500 imposed. The rumour now goes that on her arrival at Swatow on Thursday, *en route* for Hongkong, she was again stopped, the whole of the crew put under arrest, and a fine of 5,000 taels inflicted. Means, Butterfield & Swire, the owners, have no information to corroborate the report, and it is hardly natural that arms should be on board a vessel on its return journey, especially after a careful search. Still, "for ways that are dark" etc.—nothing can be definitely stated as yet, and we can only give the report for what it is worth.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

COLONEL STORER.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

SIR—I am with many others much surprised at your article of the 14th inst. reflecting in unmeasured terms on Colonel Storer, C.R.E., in connection with his alleged order to stop the *Hongkong Telegraph* being supplied to the R.E. N.C.O. mess.

1st.—The Commandant of a regiment or corps can use his discretion as to what is "to the prejudice of good order and military discipline." I don't infer that your paper is in the latter category. [Then what do you mean?—Ed.]

2nd.—Officers and soldiers are expressly forbidden to air their grievances in the public press, although I admit this is done every day in the military journals at home and has been, in many instances, the direct means of doing unmitigated good to the officer and soldier; still the press is a dangerous weapon to employ. I will tell you why. It is against orders and the Queen's regulations, and if these are not adhered to, what becomes of your army, which you talk so much about having to pay for?

3rd.—I do not believe that Colonel Storer knew any more about what papers are, or are not, allowed to be taken in the mess than you do, neither do I believe he gave the order to suppress your paper, and I think before vilifying the Colonel you should take the trouble to make yourself acquainted with facts.

4th.—The whole of this discreditably washing of dirty linen has been brought about by three non-commissioned officers who made a mistake in joining the R.E. They ought to have gone in for General Booth's brigade or army, and I can only attribute their unhappiness in this delightful colony to the fact that they miss the home bible thumping and the salvation hymns and perhaps lassies:—

Some grumble because they're not married;
And cannot procure a good wife,
Whilst others wish they had tarried
And long for a bachelor's life.
To me it is really beneficial
Some grumble, it must be in fun,
Because they have too many children,
And others because they have none.
[Sorry we cannot follow you, but doubtless the density is ours.—Ed.]

In conclusion Col. Storer is an officer and a gentleman of more than a passing acquaintance, and I think it is to be regretted that the R.E. N.C.O.'s alter what they don't like, (we did it before) without aid of newspapers or belittling the grand old corps or our officers.

Yours faithfully,
AN OLD 'GUN,
who respects the Colonel.

Hongkong, 16th October, 1891.

P.S.—As I write I hear that the Colonel and his kind good wife are taking on a picnic the 3rd or 4th time the married men and their wives and kids, and the ex R.E.'s also—is this bad? [The milk is now accounted for.—Ed.]

NEWS BY THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.

THE C. N. Co.'s steamship *Chinghi*, Captain A. Hunt, arrived in port late last evening. The following telegrams are taken from our Australian exchanges:—

LONDON, September 13th.

A rumour of a startling nature has gained currency on the Continent of Europe, to the effect that the Russian authorities are actively engaged in perfecting operations for the seizure of Constantinople. The rumour is generally believed to have no foundation. It is stated that already Russia has a number of transports in the Black Sea, and everything is ready, so that at a moment's notice 20,000 troops and a quantity of artillery could be shipped. It is also asserted that a torpedo flotilla could without difficulty enter the Golden Horn and destroy the whole of the shipping of the port. The correspondent of the *Times* at St. Petersburg says that Russia is making preparations for the complete mobilisation of her forces in April next. The correspondent further says that the new military railways are completed, and that the new rifles to be used by the army are now ready.

September 14th.

The distress amongst the peasantry in some parts of Russia is increasing. With a view of averting starvation scraps of food of all kinds are being collected in sacks in St. Petersburg, and being conveyed to the Cathedral with a view of having them forwarded to the starving peasants in the interior.

The *Daily News* says that the sympathy of the liberal party is with the motion passed at the recent Congress of Trades Unions, at Newcastle-on-Tyne, in favor of payment of members and increased representation of laboring interests in the House of Commons.

Sir William White, the British Ambassador at the Porte, has had a cordial interview with the Sultan of Turkey with reference to recent events. The correspondent of the *Daily News* at Constantinople states that Turkey is not by any means inclined to throw herself into the arms of Russia. Kiamil Pasha, who was recently deposed from the position of Grand Viceroy of Turkey by the order of the Sultan, has been imprisoned.

A British frigate has occupied the port of Sighi, at Mitylene, an island of the Grecian Archipelago, and a Turkish possession. The action has considerably affected the bourses at Paris and Frankfurt.

In consequence of the occupation of Sighi by a British warship the London Stock Exchange has suffered a relapse.

The tone in financial circles in the city with regard to the New South Wales loan of £5,500,000 shows that there is no improvement in the prospect of the loan.

The defence committee of the Maybrick case has instructed its solicitors to test the legality of the imprisonment of Mrs. Maybrick, who has been sentenced to imprisonment for life for the murder of her husband. Sir Charles Russell, Q.C., and Sir Horace Davey, Q.C., have been retained by the committee to conduct the case.

The price of silver has fallen 1-100, and on the London market.

The members of the Cabinet of the province of Quebec have quarrelled over the necessity or otherwise of appointing a commission of judges to inquire into the recent charges of corruption and fraud.

The English carpenters at present on strike have been embittered on account of the threats made by the masters to import foreign labor into the trade unless the men return to work at once.

It is acknowledged that the Emperor and Empress of Russia will shortly visit the Emperor, William of Germany at Berlin.

The new general election in Chili will be conducted under the system of universal suffrage.

The officers of the warships in the bay at Valparaiso, in Chili, have been interrupted at a banquet by the "Juntas" in recognition of the sympathy shown with General Canio during the recent war.

Disastrous floods have occurred in the province of Toledo, in Spain, resulting in great loss of life and destruction to property. Several towns in the province have been completely submerged and destroyed, and it is estimated that 20,000 persons perished. The railway communication with the flooded parts have been swept away, and it has been found impossible to send any help to the deluged inhabitants.

The Russian Ambassador at Paris has telegraphed a letter to Madame Grevy expressing sympathy with her on the death of her husband, Mr. Jules Grevy, ex-President of the Republic of France. It has been decided that the late Mr. Grevy, the ex-President of the French Republic, shall be accorded a State funeral.

The funeral of the late Mr. Jules Grevy took place to-day. The procession was very imposing. Several members of the Ministry, the President of the Senate, and the President of the Chamber of Deputies were present.

Sir Saul Samuel, the Agent-General for New South Wales, has deputed that his manager to South Wales, Mr. J. D. Fitzgerald, M.L.A., of New South Wales, was on the occasion of the recent visit of that gentleman to London in connection with the labor troubles in the colony.

The death is announced of the Rev. J. Guinness Rogers, B.A., the distinguished Congregational minister and editor of the *Congregational Review*.

The report of the massacre of a German expedition, under the command of Herr Zelenewski in East Africa, by a tribe of natives has been confirmed. Only four Germans, members of the expedition, escaped from the natives.

Further particulars regarding the attack upon the German expedition under Herr Zelenewski in East Africa, show that the attack by Waheho natives was terribly effective. The expedition was totally destroyed, and the whole of the members killed. In the engagement which took place 200 negroes were killed.

Colonial stocks show a slight decline in prices on the London Stock Exchange.

The correspondent of the *Daily News* at Vienna reports that encounters have taken place between the Russian and Afghan troops in the passes of the Hindoo Kooch Mountains, on the Afghan frontier.

The Berlin and Vienna press, in referring to the recent hostilities regarding the occupation of Mitylene by British troops, assert that the manoeuvres of the English at Sighi might be considered as a rehearsal to warn the Porte what might actually occur if necessary demanded.

September 19th.
Mr. Hugh Wall, M.P. for Camlachie, Glasgow, has written a letter to the *Times*, in which he supports the policy of the Earl of Kimberley with regard to the Northern Territory of South Australia.

Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Minister at Washington, has complained to the United States Government that the North American Co. have recently captured 13,000 seals, thus violating the modus vivendi agreed upon between Great Britain and the United States.

The *Nation*, a democratic newspaper published at Rome, announces that it has been agreed that any hostile diplomatic act on the part of any of the European Powers constituting an act of aggression, will enable the Power assailed to seek support from the Triple Alliance.

M. Carnot, the President of the French Republic, during the course of a speech delivered at Rheims, said that the work of reconstructing the French army was now completed.

The report of a conflict between Russian troops and the Afghans at Hindoo Khooh, in Central Asia, has not been confirmed.

The *Colombo Gazette* has published an article, in which it strongly advocates the necessity for an increase of the defences of Germany.

Wagner's opera "Lohengrin" was reproduced at the Opera House, Paris, last night, and renewed success occurred at the conclusion. The police arrested 160 persons concerned in the disturbance. Great excitement prevails in Paris, and the German Embassy is being guarded by troops. Five hundred police had to be called out before order was restored.

A disagreement has been occasioned in the Austro-Hungarian Ministry. Baron Bauer, the Austrian Minister for War, demands that the peace footing of the army shall be increased by 20,000 rank and file, and 10,000 horses, and that the creation of a third fortified camp in the province of Galicia, on the border of Poland and Russia, should be proceeded with. In consequence of this demand, M. De Kallay, the Minister for Finance, and other Ministers have threatened to resign. The dispute has been referred to the Emperor Francis Joseph for settlement.

The Emperor William of Germany is anxious that the anniversary of the birth of Kerner, the German poet and patriot, who in 1813 led the expulsion of the French from Prussia, should be celebrated with enthusiasm throughout the empire on Wednesday next. *Der Deutsche*, a newspaper published in Paris, says that the Emperor William is posing strictly as a military emperor, eager only to revenge past French successes against Germany. The paper urges France to regard his frequent oratorical slogs with composure.

The *Novos Vremya*, a semi-official organ in Russia, demands that the Admiral who was responsible for the recent demonstration by the British fleet at the Island of Mitylene should be punished.

The Sultan of Turkey has handsomely pensioned Kiamil Pasha, the recently deposed Grand Vizier.

The pension granted to Kiamil Pasha is £5000 per annum.

The phylloxera pest is spreading with alarming rapidity in the southern provinces of Russia. The vineyards in the Crimea have been attacked, and are hopelessly ruined.

The Archbishop of Canterbury will unveil a memorial which has been erected in Canterbury Cathedral to the late Bishop of Exeter.

Later news from Spain shows that the floods continue. The Rivers Tago and Guadalquivir, the two main streams in the kingdom, have overflowed their banks, and an immense tract of land is submerged. It is estimated that 100,000 persons have been rendered homeless by the deluge. The people in the flooded provinces are famishing, and great distress exists. Serious rioting has occurred in several of the inundated districts. The Queen Regent, Maria Christina, has thrown the royal palace at Aranjuez, in New Castile, open to the sufferers through the River Tago, who are in a state of flood, and large numbers of settlers have been driven from their homes. The people are starving, and are becoming desperate. Rioting and pillage are rampant in the affected districts, and anarchy is feared. The railway lines are washed away in the inundated provinces, and the railway service is completely paralysed. Abundance of money and provisions are available at Madrid, but owing to the interruption of the railway service relief cannot be forwarded to the sufferers by the flood. A shoal of loss of life is reported from the River Guadalquivir. The floods in the district did an amazing amount of damage, the loss being estimated at 20,000,000 pesetas (£200,000). In Comisagua, a town in the province of Toledo, 58 streets have been completely swept away. The British residents in Spain have subscribed the sum of 30,000 francs (£15,000) towards the national fund which is being raised for the relief of the homeless. The fund up to the present time has reached £100,000.

M. Jaques, the French fishing man, who undertakes to fish for 50 days at Westminster, has successfully completed his self-imposed task.

The Canadian Parliament has agreed to a resolution prohibiting the immigration of paupers to the Dominion. The object of the measure is to prevent an influx of Jewish refugees from Russia.

A severe hurricane has swept over this harbor and town of Iquique, in the Republic of Peru, in South America. Great damage was occasioned to shipping.

The men who were entombed by the collapse of a tunnel at Trieste, a seaport of Austria, have been rescued.

September 20th.
A terrible colliery explosion occurred in Belgium yesterday. The men were at work in the mine at the time, and 27 of their number were killed.

The survivors of the German expedition under Herr Zelenka, in East Africa, which met with such a terrible fate at the hands of the Wapisho natives, have arrived at Bagamoyo, a town on the coast near Zanzibar. The disaster to Herr Zelenka's expedition has caused a ferment in the portions of East Africa inhabited by Germans.

A terrible coach accident is reported to have occurred in the valley of the Engadine, in the south of Switzerland. The vehicle fell over a precipice 250 ft. high, and two English ladies who were passengers in the coach were killed. Four other persons who occupied seats in the coach were seriously injured.

The starving people in Russia are reported to be burning down the houses for the purposes of plunder.

The Austrian Emperor has declared that the troops in that country are in every respect ready for war.

It is reported that President Balmaceda shot himself in the Argentine Legation at Santiago, leaving documents in which he denied the charges of cruelty brought against him, stating that he was surrounded by traitors.

A combined demonstration is to be made by Great Britain, Italy, Germany and United States in consequence of the outrages upon the European subjects in China.

The British Minister at Washington has complained to the U.S. Government that the North American Co. have violated the agreement, come to, between Great Britain and the United States with reference to the Behring Sea sealing question.

The expressions which Balmaceda made in his last letter prior to his committing suicide states that he scorned a vulgar escape, and had no hope of receiving justice from the Junta soldiers.

It is reported that the volunteers at Santiago have been mutinous, but were quelled by the Acting-President promising to remedy their grievances.

Alarmingly news is to hand to the effect that floods still continue in Spain. 100,000 people have been rendered homeless by the flood, and as food cannot be conveyed to them a state of anarchy is feared.

His Holiness the Pope, in a recent encyclical, counsels the working classes of Europe, America and the colonies to avoid socialism, and not attempt to solve the social problem apart from the church.

Sir John Gorst M.P., Under-Secretary for India, is at present in Ireland enquiring into the condition of the laboring classes further than General Balmaceda left behind him a letter relative to the report that he had treated his officers with cruelty. The letter asserts that he never ordered any of the acts of cruelty alleged to have been committed on prisoners of war. His commands had been disobeyed, and he had been the victim of treachery on the part of those in whom he trusted. He had been prompted solely by patriotic motives in his management of the Republic. The only money he had was 5000l. Dr. A. J. A. Agency expresses the opinion that the whole story is merely a canard.

The loss of life occasioned by the recent floods in several provinces of Spain watered by the River Tago and Guadalquivir has been enormous. Already 1780 bodies have been recovered from the flooding waters. The London Guilds are subscribing towards the national fund for the relief of the sufferers by the flood.

His Holiness the Pope has issued a rescript, which has been read from the pulpits of the Roman Catholic churches in Great Britain and Ireland and on the Continent, ordering the expulsion from the church of all Catholics who are guilty of duelling.

Large quantities of gold are being shipped from Mexico to Germany.

The completion of the Eastern Railway in France will render it possible for the Government to place 80,000 men and 2,000 horses at any point on the German frontier within 48 hours. M. Carnot, the French President, asserts that he is fully prepared for any emergency which may arise in the case of war. An official dispatch has been given by the authorities at St. Petersburg to the report that an engagement had taken place between Russian troops and a body of Afghans on the Russian frontier.

It is reported in diplomatic circles that France and Russia have come to a mutual agreement, according to which they will shortly demand the evacuation of Egypt by the British troops.

The national rejoicings at Valparaiso to celebrate the downfall of General Balmaceda have had additional jubilation lent to them on account of the death of the ex-President. The rejoicings have been prolonged in consequence.

The strike of dock laborers at Havre, in France has terminated. The men were successful in securing their terms from the employers.

A number of vessels engaged in sealing operations in the Behring Sea have been seized by American warships for infringing the rights of the United States in these waters.

It is reported that a revolt has occurred in Mexico. A battle took place between the insurgents and the Government forces. During the conflict the leader of the revolution was shot, and several other persons were killed.

September 22nd.
During the course of a speech delivered last night Mr. John Morley, M.P. for Newcastle-on-Tyne, welcomed the prospect of a general election.

At the approaching general election, He welcomed the utterances of Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, president of the Board of Trade, regarding the superior condition of farm laborers in England over any other part of the world. He also reiterated his opposition to any proposal to legalise the eight hours question. It would be the first duty of the Liberal party upon returning to power to grant Home Rule to Ireland. He condemned the persistent occupation of Egypt by British troops.

The Russian Government, who recently despatched an armed force to an exploring expedition to Pamir, in Central Asia, now claim supremacy in the Tableland of Little Pamir and in Alghur Valley, in North-west India, and British officers have been excluded from those territories.

The arrangements with the Paris banks for a Russian loan of £20,000,000 have been concluded. The minimum of the loan is £750,000. It is rumored that King Charles of Roumania will probably abdicate the Throne in favor of his nephew, Prince Ferdinand Von Hohenzollern, the present presumptive heir.

In his rescript against duelling his Holiness the Pope says that the practice is impious, barbarous, ridiculous and insane.

His Holiness the Pope is calling a congress with the object of establishing a Catholic Democratic Union, which will embrace the workmen of Europe.

A Workmen's Congress has been opened at Bern, in Switzerland. One of the chief questions to be considered is the matter of compensation for workmen for accidents which occur during the hours of work.

American experts estimate that the world's deficit in wheat and rye will amount to 200,000,000 bushels.

A cargo of Australian wheat, ex ship Walla, has been sold in London at 43s. 3d. per quarter.

September 25th.
Military preparations are being made in Roumania consequent on the massing of Russian troops in Bessarabia.

It is estimated 9,000 Jews left Russia last week.

The London branch of the Imperial Federation League has appointed a special committee to consider the question of more favored treatment to the produce from the colonies.

September 30th.
The severity of the famine in Russia continues unabated. Even the clergy are joining the army of beggars, and women are even selling themselves to obtain the means of saving their lives and those of their children. The supposed reserve of food there has been found to be non-existent. The Russian peasants are indignant at the apparent apathy

of the Czar in connection with the famine, and threaten to take the law into their own hands. It is not expected that the famine will reach its greatest height until November. Ten thousand people have perished for want of food.

In deference to the outcry throughout Germany, the Berlin bankers have withdrawn their support to the Russian loan.

"SHANGHAI TRAINING NOTES."
A sporting correspondent contributes the following notes to the *N. C. Daily News* of the 13th inst.—

There was a good deal of rowing on Saturday morning, but the course being heavy from the late rain, performances as a rule were of the nature of training gallops. The race-books are now out and the entries are much larger than was anticipated, but this may be attributed to the very open programme which the Stewards have given us, several of the old pony events being handicapped so as to induce owners to enter griffins. The meeting is essentially one for griffins, and considering the few auctions there have been and the quality of the animals offered, the entries are really remarkable. However, quite a number of timed griffins were bought just before the close of the entries and were entered very freely. Some of these ponies did very good performances against the watch, with the whole course to themselves, and with other animals being taken home for the last half mile or so, and doubtless several of their owners are already leading them in, in their mind's eye; but a trial with all the conditions favourable to making good time, and an actual race, are very different things. Mr. Sassoon's two old cracks, Hero and Zephyr, are both going well and will be able to select their one or two races a day without penalties, leaving it for the luck of the other old ponies to compete with them in these or fight it out amongst themselves in the handsaps.

The Leger still remains one of the most open we have seen so close to the race day. Royalty is favourable at about 3 to 1 against, next in favor being Ardent and Tallman. The latter is said to be the dark thing in the Ewo stable, but he is a pony with a very uncertain temper and not to be relied on to do his best; he has speed undoubtedly. However, owners generally seem sanguine of being "in it" somewhere at the finish: some of the most fancied being Hazarder, White Heather, Bonvil, Majestic, New Year, and last but not least that weedy looking but plucky pony Comus, as he is as well as being a good horse, he will be hard to beat anywhere, but in the Leger he will not be piloted as he was by the Hongkong Clerk of the Course.

What about Stalwart for the Sans Souci Challenge Cup?

Appended are some of the poms on Saturday:—
Teutonic, 12 miles, 4.16, last mile 2.24.
White Heather and Quindunn, 12 miles, 4.17, last 12 mile 3.
Bonvil, 12 miles, 4.71, finishing very strong, and as full weight was up, a very good gallop.

Royalty went 2 miles, ridden by Mr. Reynolds, in 4.55, last 1.45. This pony at once confirmed his high position in the Leger.

Majestic, 12 miles in 3.47, going easy. This pony is a grand mover and can do good time on any course, but never finishes well, in fact does not go kindly at all.

Determination, same distance, 3.32, going like a steam engine at the end. This pony can also do good time over any distance, but is an uncertain one to back. On the other hand he is dangerous to lay against as he has a wonderful turn of speed.

Vagrant and Tallman went 12 miles in 2.55, the old pony having much the best of it with the Leger candidate at the end.

Envy entered the same distance in 2.54, finishing strong. We are sorry to hear he has gone lame since.

Ardent went a mile in 2.26, last 1/2 32.
Merry Thought in 2.19, last 1/2 32.
Beauvis is said to have done this distance in 2.10, but we did not get it ourselves and very much doubt the time.

Orange Peel, light weight, 2.17.
Belmont and Perseverance 2.19, cantering.
Flyaway went in 2.37.
Hero and Zephyr had slow canters, time not worth recording.

NOTES FROM CHINESE PAPERS.
Inside the Old North Gate a man committed suicide by hanging himself on the branch of a willow tree. Four Mexican dollars were found on his person.

Another alleged member of the Koloa Hui, Tong San, has been captured. When examined he denied ever having joined the Society. He is a Hunan man and has a small business in Hongkong. He was made to confess by Chen, Kiu-lung, whom he refused to acknowledge as his friend. Even under torture he had nothing to confess. The authorities will have a great deal of trouble in getting him to say anything at all.

Some time ago the Taoist ordered the opium shops along the Saiwai Road to be closed early, or to move to other localities, so as to offer no place for evil characters to congregate after nightfall. Late the other night, however, Mr. Chun Sung-ding, the Waiyuan at West Gate, went to the place with a party of soldiers and managed to catch them opium shops doing a brisk trade in spite of the Taoist's proclamation. The places are closed now and the *shiao* has had 300 blows for his negligence in not reporting the matter.

A heartless wretch is said to be living in the French Concession who does nothing but smoke opium, while his poor wife has to support him by washing clothes. The past few days being wet she could not carry on her usual avocation, and accordingly the husband has been unable to satisfy his craving for the drug. He commenced to beat his poor wife in consequence, and his aged mother trying to come between them to stop the *fracas* received a wound from which she has since died. The authorities are looking into the matter.

A foreign missionary obtained a pamphlet containing scurrilous allegations against the Protestant and Catholic religions, and sent it to the British Consul at Hankow, who called on the Viceroy with it. H.E. sent one of his most trustworthy military officials in disguise to the Huangpi pawnshop where the pamphlet is said to have been issued. The envoy managed to get one copy, and reported the matter to the official.

The missionary who immediately made an official visit to the pawnshop. The place was at once diligently searched and a whole set of these scurrilous pamphlets was found, as well as the wooden types. It appears that four large pawnshops were concerned in printing and circulating these works. Warrants were issued and several culprits have been arrested. The Viceroy is very angry and has ordered the severest punishments to be dealt out to the offenders.

The Manchu voters at Chinkiang, seventeen in all, have been taken in the gunboat *Pic-on* to Nanking, where they were tried by H.E. Taoist Lu, Prefect of the Manchu Sub-province.

Wen-lung. The principal prisoner was one Lien-yiu, son of a Manchu military graduate. Associated with him were Kwel-wen, alias "Nine thousand years," a very treacherous apprentice, as the Emperor is styled only "Ten thousand years." Kwel-lung, alias "Seventh Prince," alias "Military Adviser." These five gentlemen had banded together and committed numerous crimes. State's evidence was given by Tung-tai, alias "Three thousand years." The Viceroy and the Tartar General have already sent memorials praying for permission to have the above-named five culprits decapitated without awaiting the assizes. During the final examination the prisoners were brought before the Viceroy, Tartar General, Treasurer and Judicial Commissioner, and contrary to all expectation waited everything. The Viceroy was nonplussed and made an investigation into the case of this unexpected behavior. It was found that the prisoners had been advised by a certain monk, who was locked up in the same prison. The follower of Buddha got five thousand blows for his fee and was imprisoned in another cell to do penance to the end of his sentence.

A Nanking lady was sad, very sad. Her husband had left her on business far, far away, and had sent home only a few letters. Many times did she read word by word the letters requesting him to return, but he came not. At last, in despair, she called in a fortune-teller, who was supposed to be endowed with supernatural knowledge of everything past, present, and future. After consulting his books, the fortune-teller assured her that her husband would return in ten days, and that he would bring with him a large sum of money. In trembling accents she addressed the sad wife thus: "O lady, your husband has changed his sphere of business many, many times. All luck has pursued him everywhere. Money he has now none, but what is worse, he is lying dangerously ill in a lonely inn, hundreds of li from here." The wretched lady was heart-broken, and began to weep copiously. The fortune-teller comforted her, and rapidly turning over the leaves of his mystic book he joyously exclaimed: "Saved." Then he explained that a certain lucky star was obscured by a dark cloud, and that if it could be made to shine again, her husband would rise from his bed of sickness and make a heap of money. Forty cents was the sum charged for working the miracle of dispelling the dark cloud. While the fortune-teller was on his knees earnestly praying his god to deliver the absent husband from the clutches of the evil one who was obscuring the lucky star, the door was abruptly pushed open and there, standing on the threshold with a bag over his shoulder, full of sycee shoes and gold bars, was the long absent husband! The wife gave a cry of joy and rushed forward. The confused fortune-teller, terribly frightened, hurriedly sought an exit by the back door, but slipped, fell, sprained his ankle and broke his head. The husband did not wish to mar the joy of his return by any harsh measures, and let off the now thoroughly wretched fortune-teller with a reprimand.

FOOCHOW.
To-morrow, being the 9th day of the great Kite flying festival. We understand there is to be a grand gathering at Wushihuan to witness the performances of the experts, and there is to be a grand chow-chow on the occasion.

The failure of a second class Chinese Bank, located in Nankai, is reported. The liabilities appear to have exceeded the assets. This kind of thing happens two or three times every year, only the liabilities are rather larger than usual this time.

It is reported that the Tea Oil and Potato crops are exceptionally good this season, and when we add that the second crop of rice, after all the misgivings a few weeks back, are likely to turn out really very plentiful, the local celestials will have reason to be pretty well satisfied.

Eleven subscription griffins were landed from the steamer *Perth* last Sunday. The ponies appear to have travelled well with one exception, a big grey, with one ear well clipped back, who had knocked himself about in the box in his endeavours to get out and eat the second mate of the steamer.

The natives here are in advance of facts, some one amongst them has started a story that a machine has been invented to bring down rain from the sky at will, and the subject is much talked about, enquiries being made of foreigners as to what kind of machine this may be. It was whispered that they knew where devils, but they little suspected we had the power to do this.

In our issue of 9th September we drew attention to the large number of unemployed natives loafing about in the city and suburbs. "The question is asked," we remarked, "cannot the authorities do something for them?" They evidently did not see their way to do anything at the time, but the course of events since would seem to have suggested an idea on which they have acted promptly. They are enlisting these men as soldiers, and forming them into separate battalions under able officers for service in the provinces. Many of them are ruffians and vagabonds no doubt, but the majority, it is said, are respectable labourers thrown out of work, too glad to have the opportunity of earning their daily rice. Never was a wiser step taken. Foreign residents here will feel greatly relieved on hearing this news, since any impending troubles in the present critical state of affairs in China would probably only affect them through the disorderly conduct of a starving mob, and this mob being now provided for, one great cause of anxiety is removed. All well disposed native citizens will also experience a sense of relief, and be thankful to the Viceroy and his coadjutors for their action in this matter.—*Echo*.

TAMSU.
(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)
October 6th.

It is a very sad tale that I have to tell you this time; the wife of H.B.M. Consul, Mr. W. Holland, died last Sunday, the 9th October, and leaves besides her husband two little children to mourn her loss. It is always hard to see a young, hopeful member of our community leave us suddenly; and in this particular case I can state in truth that it is a blow which has struck to the hearts of us all.

Holland was without doubt the soul of our little community, and I know that I only express the common feeling when I, through your valuable paper, send the message to her relatives and friends, that she was esteemed by us all and dear to us all, and that we shall cherish the remembrance of her and of what she in her quiet ladylike manner has done to make this community or rather these communities in North Formosa so happy, as the case has been during the time that we had the privilege to see her amongst us. Mrs. Holland was only ill for ten days and her untimely death came like a shock to us all. The whole community from Twatulia, Kelung and Hobo followed her remains from her late home in Twatulia to the cemetery in Hobo where she was buried yesterday afternoon, leaving residents carrying her to the grave.

Everything is quiet here and we have no wars or rumours of wars at the present on our pretty island; a little excitement we have had lately

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on account of gold being discovered in pretty large quantities near Kelung. You know that Chinese who have been in California and there learnt the gold-washing business, have been at work for some in the Kelung river near the Railway Bridge. Now they have found very rich deposits a little higher up the river and, I believe, seams of gold in the hills and mountains in the neighbourhood. A Syndicate was formed at once under the auspices of the so-called Second Governor, but such a lot of people rushed to the place that the acting Governor of Formosa stepped the work, fearing trouble.

October 9th.
Messrs. Douglas, Laprak & Co. are going to run one of their fine steamers, the *Fei-shan*, on to Shanghai. In a day or two she will be despatched for your port, I hear, to compete with the so-called Formosa Trading Co. and we are very pleased to see it. Yesterday, going over the railway between Twatulia and Kelung, I noticed hundreds of Chinese again gold-washing in the river. Perhaps we may get a lively time here also on account of the yellow metal.—*N. C. Daily News*.

NANKING.
(FROM A CORRESPONDENT.)
October 9th.

Things move on in this city about as usual. The only thing agitating the minds of the Celestials at this time is what are the foreign Powers going to do? Let the foreign Powers slacken their hand and the old troubles will begin again.

A feast was given yesterday by three officials, to which three members of the foreign community were invited, your correspondent being one of the number. The feast was held on Peh Chi Ko where we had a commanding view of the city and could see for miles up and down the river. It would be difficult for an enemy to approach the city from any direction without being discovered from this elevated position.

In a recent issue of your paper some notes appeared from this city by "another correspondent," referring to the Viceroy talking of enlisting these men as soldiers. A slight injustice was done to "a missionary," in saying that he was "bidding for the position." The facts are these: the Viceroy has been strongly urged by the under officials to employ a foreign adviser. The name of "a missionary," unbeknown to himself, was suggested, for the position. Nothing further has been done in the case.

Quite a number of the natives as well as the foreigners are bidding farewell to Nanking, and moving elsewhere, preferring to take their chances in some other place in preference to this capital city in case of war.—*N. C. Daily News*.

NEWCHWANG.
(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)
October 7th.

The following circular letter has been handed to Mr. Ayrton, H.M. Consul, with a request to forward it to the proper quarters. Whether it will be of any use remains to be seen, but there cannot be a doubt that if at any time there may be need for protection, it will be during next winter.

The port is pretty full of steamers just now, but the freights are not high.

Nothing has yet resulted from the last attempt to raise a new fidin, and we hope that it will be abandoned altogether.

A heavy downpour and sudden gust of north wind yesterday touched up some of the millet not yet garnered, but most of the grains have been cared for, and are generally spoken of as above par.

Copy.
THE SAFETY OF NEWCHWANG.
We the undersigned, residents at the port of Newchwang, are of opinion that, in view of the troublous times now prevailing the Empire of China, we should not be left utterly unprotected, especially during the winter months, when it will be impossible to escape from any attack that may be made upon us.

We therefore respectfully beg that the representatives of our several nationalities will devise means for obtaining a garrison, or such other defence as may be deemed best under the circumstances.

30th September, 1891.

Signatures:—
H. E. Bush.
W. H. M. Campbell.
H. A. Bush.
G. J. Phillips.
E. O. Kels.
A. W. Best.
F. W. Lewis.
A. F. Schepers.
A. R. Agassiz.
W. Creek.
J. Clark.
T. Davies.
A. Ehrlich.
B. F. Blackford.
T. Moreland.
G. Schneider.
J. R. W. Houston.
F. W. Lewis.
F. Chollin.
P. F. Lorenzen.
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E. L. M. Robinson.

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To-day's Advertisements.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

THE WILLARD OPERA COMPANY.

DIRECTOR.....FLEMINGTON W. WILLARD.

PROGRAMME.

THIS EVENING (SATURDAY), the 17th October, "LA PERICHOLLE."

Cast of Characters:
Don Andres de Ribera (Viceroy of Peru).....Mr. F. WENTWORTH.
Don Pedro de Hinojosa (Governor of Lima).....Mr. P. VERNARD.
Count de Panatellas.....Mr. F. SAKBY.
Marquis de Santarem (the old prisoner).....Mr. HARRY HALL.
Marquis de Tarapote.....Mr. E. FEARNLEY.
Notary.....Mr. SMYTHE.
Gaeler.....Mr. KING.

and
Piquillo (a mountebank).....Mr. W. WALSH.
Mastella (three cou-.....Miss VERA PATEY.
Berginella (three cou-.....Miss BESSIE ROYAL.
Gaudetina (three cou-.....Miss CESSIE DENVER.
Manzella.....Miss F. TRIGGS.
Frasquilla.....Miss G. NORMAN.
Brancella.....Miss ROBERTS.
Ninetta.....Miss SWIFT.

and
La Pericholle.....Miss A. St. JOHN.

MONDAY, October 13th, "THE BALLOON."

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Hongkong, 17th October, 1891. 11302

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For Freight or Passage, apply to GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, 17th October, 1891. 11332

ST. ANDREW'S CHAPTER, HONGKONG, 218 S.C.

A REGULAR CONVOCATION of the above Chapter, will be held in the FREE-MASON'S HALL, Zealand Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st instant, at 8 for 8.30 p.m. precisely.
Hongkong, 17th October, 1891. 11331

Commercial.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.
 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank—162, per cent.
 The National Bank of China, Ltd.—on 2/10
 paid 55 per cent. dia. sales and buyers.
 The Bank of China, Ltd.—Founders' shares, 122 per share, sales and buyers.
 The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—124 per share, sales.
 The Bank of China, Japan & the Straits, Ltd.—Founders' shares, 125 per share, sales.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 B—21 per cent. premium, sales.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884 C—5 per cent. premium, sales.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1886 C—14 per cent. premium, sales.
 Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$91 per share, buyers.
 China Traders' Insurance Company—\$62 per share, sales and buyers.
 North China Insurance—125 per share, sales and buyers.
 Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$105 per share, buyers.
 Yangtze Insurance Association—\$95, buyers.
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—125, per share.
 Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$121 per share, sales and buyers.
 China Fire Insurance Company—\$87 per share, sales.
 Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—\$341 per share, sales.
 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—57 per share, sales and buyers.
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Limited—27 per cent. discount, buyers.
 Douglas Steamship Company—\$37 per share, sales.
 The Steam Launch Co., Limited—\$20, nominal.
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—\$77 per cent. premium, buyers.
 Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$14 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Hotel Company—\$50 per share, sales.
 Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures—\$50.
 The Anson Hotel and Building Company, Limited—\$10 per share, sales.
 The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Limited—\$4 per share, sales.
 The Shamoon Hotel Co., Limited—\$10, sales and buyers.
 Pungim and Sungle Dna Samantun Mining Co.—\$32 per share, sales and buyers.
 The Rangoon Mining Co., Limited—\$55 per share, sales.
 Imuris Mining Co., Limited—\$8 per share, sales and buyers.
 The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$1 per share, sales and buyers.
 Tongkin Coal Mining Co.—\$340 per share, sales.
 The Jubin Mining and Trading Co., Limited—\$5 per share, sales and buyers.
 The Selama Tin Mining Co., Limited—40 cents per share, sales.
 London and Pacific Petroleum Co., Ltd.—12, sales.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$176 per share, sales and buyers.
 Luxon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$54 per share, sales and buyers.
 A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$20 per share, sales and buyers.
 Crutchfield & Co., Limited—\$25 per share, sales.
 Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$7 per share, sales.
 The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Limited—\$12 per share, sales.
 The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Limited—\$73 per share, sales and buyers.
 The West Point Buildings Co., Limited—\$26 per share, sales.
 The Labrak Planting Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sales.
 The China-Borneo Co., Limited—\$10 per share, sales.
 H. G. Brown & Co., Limited—\$46 per share, sales.
 Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company—\$68 per share, sales.
 Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$95 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$120 per share, nominal.
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$85 per share, sales.
 Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$75 per share, sales.
 The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Limited—\$10 per share, nominal.
 The Green Island Cement Co.—\$14 per share, sales.
 The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Limited—\$41 per share, buyers.
 The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Limited—\$25 per share, nominal.
 The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co., Limited—\$60 per share, sales.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

LV-RE-MOON, German steamer, 1,235 G. Heuermann, 16th October, Shanghai 15th Oct., General—Stemmen & Co.
 DELTA, French steamer, 717, Abbal, 16th Oct., Halphong 15th Oct., General—Messageries Maritimes.
 PLOVER, British gun-vessel, 1st-class, 755 tons, 1,200 horse-power, 6 guns, Lt. L. K. Bell, 16th Oct., Foochow 14th October.
 CHINGU, British steamer, 1,459, A. Hunt, 16th Oct., Sydney 24th Sept., Moreton Bay 26th, Townsville 29th, Cooktown 1st Oct., Thursday Island 4th, and Port Darwin 8th, Coals and General—Butterfield & Swire.
 PEKING, German steamer, 674, P. Schulz, 17th Oct., Canton 17th October, General—Stemmen & Co.
 CHINA, German steamer, 1,140, P. Vom, 17th Oct., Odessa 13th Sept., General—Melchers & Co.
 PALAMON, British steamer, 1,489, C. Jackson, 17th Oct., Swatow 16th October, General—Butterfield & Swire.
 WHAMPOA, British steamer, 1,109, Inman, 17th Oct., Wuhu 12th Oct., Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
 YUKANG, British steamer, 887, Galsworthy, 17th October, Manila 15th Oct., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.
 CHOW, British steamer, for Swatow, 22.
 SHAN, British steamer, for Swatow, 22.
 SHAN, British steamer, for Swatow, 22.

Triumph, German steamer, for Holhow.
 Smith, Chinese steamer, for Swatow, 22.
 Angara, Japanese steamer, for Nagasaki.
 Diamond, British steamer, for Amoy, 22.
 Chingtu, British steamer, for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES.
 October 16, Taitang, British steamer, for Foochow, 22.
 October 17, Chelydra, British steamer, for Singapore, 22.
 October 17, Ancona, British steamer, for Nagasaki, 22.
 October 17, Somdetch Phra Nang, British steamer, for Bangkok, 22.
 October 17, Smith, Chinese steamer, for Swatow.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED:
 Per Chingtu, str., from Sydney—Mr. and Mrs. White, Mrs. George and 2 daughters, Messrs. Coates, Glen, Arthur, Courier, Loo, Blanchard, 43 Chinese, and a Japanese.
 Per Delta, str., from Halphong—Mr. Van Stairs, and 15 Chinese.
 Per Ly-ss-moon, str., from Shanghai—Mr. Kant, and 324 Chinese.
 Per Palamod, str., from Swatow—Mr. and Mrs. Adams, Messrs. Caldwell, Lange, Lee See, and 125 Chinese.
 Per China, str., from Odessa—24 Europeans.

REPORTS.
 The British steamship Palamod reports that she left Swatow on the 16th instant. Had fine weather and moderate monsoon.
 The German steamship Ly-ss-moon reports that she left Shanghai on the 15th instant. Had light easterly winds with smooth sea and fine weather all the way.
 The British steamship Chingtu reports that she left Sydney on the 24th ultimo; calling at Moreton Bay on the 26th. Experienced strong gale and thick weather to Townsville on the 29th, and Cooktown on the 1st instant. Had fresh winds and fine weather to Thursday Island on the 4th, left again the same day. Had moderate winds and fine weather to Port Darwin, which was reached on the 7th, left again on the 8th. Had fine weather; passed Cairns at 3 p.m. on the 14th; thence to port had moderate breeze and fine weather; arrived here last night. Time from Port Darwin to Hongkong 8 days and 12 hours.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.
 For Swatow and Bangkok—Per Chow's tomorrow, the 18th instant, at 3.30 A.M.
 For Shanghai—Per Peking on Monday, the 19th instant, at 3.30 P.M.
 For Swatow and Amoy—Per Benlam on Monday, the 19th instant, at 3.30 P.M.
 For Holhow and Halphong—Per Delta on Monday, the 19th instant, at 5.00 P.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

ASAGAO, Japanese steamer, 1,521, H. Selck, 15th Oct., Nagasaki 11th Oct., Coal—Mitsui Bishi Colliery.
BANTAM, Dutch steamer, L. van der Valk, 12th Oct., Singapore 5th October, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
CHOW-CHOW-FOO, German steamer, 706, F. Clausen, 7th Oct., Swatow 6th Oct., General—Melchers & Co.
CHOWY, British steamer, 1,077, F. W. Phillips, 11th Oct., Bangkok 9th Oct., Rice and General—Scottish Oriental S. S. Co.
PERA CHULA CHOM KLAO, British steamer, 1,012, J. A. Morris, 15th October, Spangbaya 5th October, Sugar—Butterfield & Swire.
COLLINGHAM, British steamer, 1,540, G. W. Watson, 26th Sept., Kutchinotri 26th Oct., General—Melchers & Co.
DIAMANT, British steamer, 1,14, J. C. Gerard, 16th Oct., Manila 13th Oct., General—Shewan & Co.
EDENDALE, British steamer, 1,566, R. Humphrey, 15th October, Kutchinotri 9th October, Coals—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
FAME, British steamer, 1,17, Lieut. Wm. G. Comley, R.N.R.—Hongkong Government tender.
GALIC, British steamer, 4,209, Pearce, 8th Oct., San Francisco 15th Sept. and Yokohama 3rd October, Mails and General—O. & O. S. S. Co.
GUY MANSFIELD, British steamer, 1,839, O. Ford, 10th October, Foochow 9th Oct., General—Dodwell, Carill & Co.
JAPAN, British steamer, 1,865, J. G. Oikent, 15th Oct., Calcutta 29th Sept. and Singapore 9th Oct., Opium and General—D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.
LOO SOX, British steamer, 1,014, A. Benson, 14th October, Bangkok 7th October, Rice—Scottish Oriental S. S. Co.
NAMOA, British steamer, 869, Goddard, 16th October, Swatow 15th Oct., General—Douglas Laumack & Co.
ORION, Austro-Hungarian steamer, 1,833, A. Orlando, 15th Oct., Bombay 24th Sept. and Singapore 8th October, General—D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.
PARTHA, British steamer, 2,035, Jno. Parton, R.N.R., 11th Sept., Vancouver 20th Aug., Yokohama 4th Sept., and Shanghai 9th. General—Dodwell, Carill & Co.
PILOT FINE, British steamer, 161, A. Stegmann, Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.
POLLUX, German str., 898, H. Hallmeyer, 9th Oct., Saigon 4th Oct., Rice and General—Melchers & Co.
SHUAN, British steamer, 845, E. F. Stowell, 14th Oct., Saigon 10th October, General—Kin Tye Loong.
TRIUMPH, German steamer, 674, J. Bruhn, 16th Oct., Pakhoi 15th Oct. and Holhow 15th, General—Ed. Schellhaus & Co.
ZAMBEI, British steamer, 1,164, Edwards, 9th October, Portland, Oregon, 2nd Sept., General—Gibb Livingston & Co.

HONGKONG—SAILING VESSELS.
Continued.
 MARIA, Spanish schooner, 51, Francisco Olmos, 9th July, Manila 18th June, Ballast—Master.
 MARIE BENO, German bark, 536, H. Hiedrichs, 26th August—Whampoa, 25th August General—Wideler & Co.
 MARY L. STONE, American ship, 1,433, C. C. Paul, 2nd October—New York 21st May, Kerosene Oil—W. H. Hewitt & Co.
 NAM-SHUI-SHING, Chinese 3-m. schooner, 241, Loo Light Tong, 25th Sept.—Tientsin 8th Sept., Wood—Yong Kee.
 N. PENDLETON, American ship, 1,481, J. N. Pendleton, 23rd August—New York 19th April, Kerosene Oil—Shewan & Co.
 THERMOPTYLE, Canadian ship, 948, J. R. Winchester, 14th Oct.—Nanmer, B.C., 13th August, Coals—Dodwell, Carill & Co.
 WM. LE LACHEUR, British bark, 573, W. Reynolds, 26th September—Laguaimanoo (Philippines), 2nd Sept., Timber—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

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 Hongkong, 29th August, 1891. [1172]

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J. S. VAN BUREN,
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DODWELL, CARILL & Co.,
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 Hongkong, 13th October, 1891. [1174]

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 Galle Tuesday 20th October.
 Balise Thursday 22nd Nov.
 Oatland Tuesday 8th Dec.

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 Hongkong, 17th October, 1891. [1192]

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAYS' ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1891.
 (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).
 Empress of China, Tuesday... Nov. 10th.
 Empress of India, Tuesday... Dec. 8th.
 Empress of Japan, Tuesday... Jan. 5th.

THE "EMPRESS OF CHINA,"
 5,000 tons, Captain A. Tillett, sailing at noon, on TUESDAY, the 10th November, with Her Majesty's Mails, will proceed to VANCOUVER, via SHANGHAI, Inland Sea, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

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 A REWARD of \$500 will be paid to any person supplying information that will lead to the discovery and identification of a Chinese girl named LI AFAT, who, in or about the month of September, 1888, was resident at St. Francis Street, Wanchai, in the house of JOHN MINHINNETT, an overseer in the Hongkong Public Works Department, under the protection of a Chinese kept woman named WONG AH NGAN.

LI AFAT is about 10 years of age, and according to a declaration made by WONG AH NGAN at the Magistracy, she was returned to her mother about three years ago—presumably to some village in the Kwangtung Province, where it is stated she died a short time afterwards.

On the other hand JOHN MINHINNETT deposed on oath in the Supreme Court that LI AFAT was sold by WONG AH NGAN and that he was present in his own house when the purchase money was paid; and it has since been reported that the girl was taken to Singapore for immoral purposes.

A Reward of \$500 will be paid to any person who shall produce reliable evidence, showing that LI AFAT was returned to her mother, in or about September, 1888, and afterwards died as alleged.

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